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1. APPRECIATE INFO PROVIDED BY DEPT IN REF A. EMBASSY WISHES TO EMPHASIZE THAT IT IS OUR STRONG FEELING IREX SHOULD NOT RPT NOT PLACE ADDITIONAL SOVIET NOMINEES BUT SHOULD EMPHASIZE TO MHE THAT IMBALANCE IS RESULT OF SOVIET ACTION, AS OUTLINED PARA ONE REF.

2. BELIEVE US SIDE SHOULD GIVE UP EFFORTS TO GET WHEELER, PLESZCZYNSKI PLACED FOR 1976/77 IF BALANCE IS NOW IN OUR FAVOR. NO PLACEMENT ACTION POSSIBLE AT MHE TILL AFTER ZASEDATL' RETURNS FROM LEAVE AUGUST 10. ASSUMING HE WORKED UNUSUALLY FAST HE MIGHT HAVE ANSWERS BY ABOUT AUGUST 16, BUT THIS SEEMS UNLIKELY TO US. ADDITIONALLY THEIR EVENTUAL BUT TARDY PLACEMENT COULD ONLY ENCOURAGE SOVIETS TO CONTINUE TO PUSH THEIR PRIORITY CANDIDATES.

3. AGAIN REQUEST DEPT URGE IREX TO DECLARE PLACEMENTS FOR THIS YEAR COMPLETE, DISCLAIMING AT SAME TIME RESPONSIBILITY FOR NUMERICAL IMBALANCE AND POINTING OUT THAT US CANDIDATES CAN WAIT
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NO LONGER FOR PLACEMENT INFORMATION AND IF SOVIETS WISH TO

EXCHANGE IN 1977/78 ACADEMIC YEAR THEY WILL NEED TO GIVE EARLIER
AND MORE COMPLETE ANSWERS IN REGARD TO THE PLACEMENT AND ACCESS
NEEDS OF AMERICAN SCHOLARS.
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